

Application Serial No.: 09/711,362  
Preliminary Amendment dated July 6, 2004  
Reply to Office Action dated January 5, 2004

REMARKS

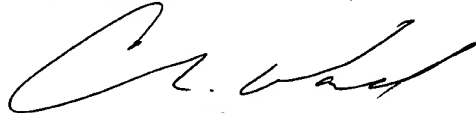
Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 and 36 are presently active in this case, Claims 1-10, 13, 14, and 18-20 having been amended and Claim 36 having been added by way of the present Amendment. Claims 21-35 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Consequently, in view of the above discussion, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for formal allowance and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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